



# MALDEN

## Middlesex County



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## NARRATIVE

### **Narrative**

Malden boasts a history over three centuries old, from the small settlement called Mystic Side to the modern, energetic city of today. Residents state proudly that Malden has always been at the heart of things, a major contributor to the everyday fabric of American life, having given birth to writers and industrialists, revolutionaries and governors, actors and artists. From Elisha Converse to John Volpe, from Walter Brennan to Louise Stokes to Frank Stella, Maldonians have participated in every facet of American culture.

Even now, Malden is at the heart of an innovative New England economy. The city is situated in close proximity to metropolitan Boston's major arteries and interstates. There is direct access to one of the world's busiest international airports and the city is serviced by both commuter rail and the MBTA Orange Line. Some of America's best universities are within a stone's throw, as are many of the world's best high-tech and medical research facilities. The city is only minutes away from some of New England's great beaches.

Amidst all this activity, Malden has tenaciously preserved its neighborly and small town tradition. Malden enjoys an active business community, a downtown in the process of rejuvenation, a fine system of parks and playgrounds and a variety of social, cultural and fraternal organizations. To loyal town residents, Malden has the best of both worlds; ready availability to the best of the big city and the familiar feel of a small town.

(Narrative supplied by community)



# GEOGRAPHY

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## Location

Eastern Massachusetts, bordered by Stoneham and Melrose on the north, Revere on the east, Everett on the south, and Medford on the west. Malden is 5 miles north of Boston, 7 miles west of Lynn, 20 miles south of Lawrence, and 225 miles from New York City.

**Total Area:** 5.12 sq. miles

**Land Area:** 5.09 sq. miles

**Population:** 53,884

**Density:** 10,586 per sq. mile

## Climate

(National Climatic Data Center)

(Boston WSO Station)

Normal temperature in January.....28.6°F

Normal temperature in July.....73.5°F

Normal annual precipitation.....41.5"

## U.S.G.S. Topographical Plates

Boston North

## Regional Planning Agency

Metropolitan Area Planning Council

## Metropolitan Statistical Area

(1993 Definition)

Boston



# GOVERNMENT

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## Municipal Offices

Main Number: (781) 397-7116

[Telephone Numbers for Public Information](#)

## Form of Government

Mayor-Council

## Year Incorporated

As a town: 1649

As a city: 1882

## Registered Voters (Secretary of State 1994)

	Number	%	
Total Registered	25,319		
Democrats	12,853	50.8	%
Republicans	1,793	7.1	%
Other parties	2	0.0	%
Unenrolled Voters	10,671	42.1	%

## Legislators

[Senators and Representatives by City and Town](#)

**Table DP-1. Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic Area: Malden city, Massachusetts

[For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
Total population.....	56,340	100.0	<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>			Total population.....	56,340	100.0
Male.....	27,122	48.1	Hispanic or Latino (of any race).....	2,696	4.8
Female.....	29,218	51.9	Mexican.....	172	0.3
Under 5 years.....	3,294	5.8	Puerto Rican.....	486	0.9
5 to 9 years.....	3,126	5.5	Cuban.....	83	0.1
10 to 14 years.....	3,058	5.4	Other Hispanic or Latino.....	1,955	3.5
15 to 19 years.....	2,880	5.1	Not Hispanic or Latino.....	53,644	95.2
20 to 24 years.....	3,696	6.6	White alone.....	39,230	69.6
25 to 34 years.....	11,360	20.2	<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>		
35 to 44 years.....	9,418	16.7	Total population.....	56,340	100.0
45 to 54 years.....	7,050	12.5	In households.....	55,735	98.9
55 to 59 years.....	2,517	4.5	Householder.....	23,009	40.8
60 to 64 years.....	2,137	3.8	Spouse.....	9,843	17.5
65 to 74 years.....	3,957	7.0	Child.....	15,250	27.1
75 to 84 years.....	2,770	4.9	Own child under 18 years.....	10,243	18.2
85 years and over.....	1,077	1.9	Other relatives.....	3,878	6.9
Median age (years).....	35.7	(X)	Under 18 years.....	824	1.5
18 years and over.....	45,102	80.1	Nonrelatives.....	3,755	6.7
Male.....	21,366	37.9	Unmarried partner.....	1,228	2.2
Female.....	23,736	42.1	In group quarters.....	605	1.1
21 years and over.....	43,395	77.0	Institutionalized population.....	379	0.7
62 years and over.....	9,058	16.1	Noninstitutionalized population.....	226	0.4
65 years and over.....	7,804	13.9	<b>HOUSEHOLD BY TYPE</b>		
Male.....	3,002	5.3	Total households.....	23,009	100.0
Female.....	4,802	8.5	Family households (families).....	13,570	59.0
<b>RACE</b>			With own children under 18 years.....	5,833	25.4
One race.....	54,389	96.5	Married-couple family.....	9,843	42.8
White.....	40,618	72.1	With own children under 18 years.....	4,261	18.5
Black or African American.....	4,592	8.2	Female householder, no husband present.....	2,819	12.3
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	80	0.1	With own children under 18 years.....	1,333	5.8
Asian.....	7,882	14.0	Nonfamily households.....	9,439	41.0
Asian Indian.....	962	1.7	Householder living alone.....	7,410	32.2
Chinese.....	4,504	8.0	Householder 65 years and over.....	2,654	11.5
Filipino.....	157	0.3	Households with individuals under 18 years.....	6,377	27.7
Japanese.....	80	0.1	Households with individuals 65 years and over.....	5,783	25.1
Korean.....	249	0.4	Average household size.....	2.42	(X)
Vietnamese.....	1,343	2.4	Average family size.....	3.13	(X)
Other Asian <sup>1</sup> .....	587	1.0	<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	33	0.1	Total housing units.....	23,634	100.0
Native Hawaiian.....	7	-	Occupied housing units.....	23,009	97.4
Guamanian or Chamorro.....	9	-	Vacant housing units.....	625	2.6
Samoan.....	7	-	For seasonal, recreational, or		
Other Pacific Islander <sup>2</sup> .....	10	-	occasional use.....	73	0.3
Some other race.....	1,184	2.1	Homeowner vacancy rate (percent).....	0.4	(X)
Two or more races.....	1,951	3.5	Rental vacancy rate (percent).....	2.1	(X)
<i>Race alone or in combination with one</i>			<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>		
<i>or more other races:</i> <sup>3</sup>			Occupied housing units.....	23,009	100.0
White.....	41,812	74.2	Owner-occupied housing units.....	9,962	43.3
Black or African American.....	5,438	9.7	Renter-occupied housing units.....	13,047	56.7
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	290	0.5	Average household size of owner-occupied units.....	2.86	(X)
Asian.....	8,218	14.6	Average household size of renter-occupied units.....	2.08	(X)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	97	0.2			
Some other race.....	2,511	4.5			

- Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.<sup>2</sup> Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.<sup>3</sup> In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.



# HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

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**Home Sales** (Banker & Tradesman) -

[Town Stats - Free market Statistics](#)

**Subsidized Housing Units** (DHCD 1998)

[DHCD Subsidized Housing Inventory](#)

Subsidized Housing Units: The number of housing units which count toward the municipality's 10% goal for low- and moderate-income housing. It includes both subsidized affordable units and market rate units in certain eligible subsidized developments.

**Public Housing Units** (DHCD 1999)

Conventional State:	413
Conventional Federal:	987

**Rental Assistance**(DHCD 1999)

State (MRVP:	18
Federal (Section 8):	670



# TRANSPORTATION

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## TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS

Malden is situated in the Greater Boston Area, which has excellent rail, air, and highway facilities. State Route 128 and Interstate Route 495 divide the region into inner and outer zones, which are connected by numerous "spokes" providing direct access to the airport, port, and intermodal facilities of Boston.

### Major Highways

Principal highways are U.S. Route 1 running N-S and State Route 28, which passes through the southwest corner of Malden and links up with Interstate Route 93 in Medford.

### Rail

Commuter rail service is available from Malden Center to North Station, Boston. Travel time: 10-11 min.; 165 MBTA parking spaces. MBTA subway service is available on the Orange Line from Oak Grove (travel time to Downtown Crossing: 16 min.; 768 MBTA parking spaces) and Malden Center (travel time 14 min.; 165 spaces). Freight rail service is available from the Springfield Terminal Railway. Contact number: (508) 663-1073

### Bus

Malden is a member of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), which provides fixed route service to neighboring towns and to stations on the Orange Line. The MBTA also provides THE RIDE, a paratransit service for the elderly and disabled.

### Other

Logan International Airport, as well as the Boston docks, railroad and bus terminals are easily accessible from Malden, providing excellent land, sea and air carrier service.



# CULTURE AND RECREATION

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## LIBRARIES

[Board of Library Commissioners On-line Library Catalog](#)

## MUSEUMS

(American Association of Museums)

Malden Public Library  
36 Salem Street  
(781) 324-0218

## RECREATION

[Telephone Numbers for Public Information](#)

**Recreational Facilities** (Recreational sites and activities)

[Department of Environmental Management Recreation Section](#)



# MISCELLANEOUS

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## HEALTH FACILITIES

(Dept. of Public Health 1992)

### Hospitals

Malden Hospital

### Long Term Care

Bartlett Manor Nursing Home  
Buchanon Nursing Home  
Care Well Manor Nursing Home  
Dexter House Nursing Facility  
Glen Ridge Nursing Care Center  
Mcfadden Memorial Manor

### Hospices

None

### Rest Homes

Davenport Memorial Home  
Mansion Rest Home  
Sanfilippo Rest Home, Inc

### UTILITIES

[Telephone Numbers for Public Utilities](#)



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